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Welcome to our latest edition of the *Pantry News*. A newsletter designed with you in mind and giving you the opportunity to try out new recipes using food items that you receive in your pantry bag.

Today we have tomatoes 4 spinach from Willow Wisp and corn on the cob from Fertile Valley.

One Pot Pasta with Spinach and Tomatoes

Ingredients

- 1 TB olive oil
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 6 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 2-3 fresh tomatoes, diced or 1 (14.5 ounce) can petite diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 1/2 cups chicken stock
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano
- 8 ounces whole-grain spaghetti or linguine
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 10 ounces fresh spinach
- 1 ounce Parmesan cheese, grated (about 1/4 cup)



How to make it:

- 1. Heat a Dutch oven or large saucepan over medium-high heat. Add oil, swirl to coat.
- 2. Add onion and garlic to pan; sauté 3 minutes or until onion starts to brown.
- 3. Add tomatoes, stock, oregano, and pasta, in that order. Bring to a boil.
- 4. Stir to submerge noodles in liquid.
- 5. Cover, reduce heat to medium-low, and cook 7 minutes or until pasta is almost done.
- 6. Uncover; stir in salt.
- 7. Add spinach in batches, stirring until spinach wilts. Remove from heat; let stand 5 minutes.
- 8. Sprinkle with cheese and serve.

Canned Chicken Salad Recipe

Ingredients:

- 2 cans chicken, drained
- 1/2 cup onion, finely chopped
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 2 Tablespoons vinegar

- 3/4 cup dill pickles, chopped
- 1/2 cup celery finely chopped
- 6 Tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 2 Tablespoons fresh dill, or 1/4 tsp dried dill

Directions:

- 1. Make sure canned chicken is drained and completely dry.
- 2. Add all ingredients to a bowl and stir to combine.
- Enjoy

Tasty Chicken Patties

Ingredients:

- 1 12.5 ounce can chicken
- 1 ounce cream cheese, softened
- 1 large egg
- 1/8 tsp ground sage
- 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 1 tsp onion powder
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 3/4 cup panko bread crumbs
- 3 tablespoons olive oil



Directions:

- 1. Using a fork, mash chicken with juices in a medium bowl.
- 2. Add the cream cheese, egg, sage, garlic powder, black pepper, onion powder, Italian seasoning and bread crumbs, mix well.
- Form six patties.
- 4. In a medium skillet, heat olive oil over medium heat.
- 5. Fry patties for 5 to 6 minutes on each side or until crispy on the outside and heated through.

*For a variation, instead of patties, form into 24 chicken meatballs. Can be eaten as a high protein snack or with sauce over pasta.



POWDERED MILK SUGGESTIONS

Here are some interesting substitutions you can make with the powdered milk:

Sour Cream- Mix 1/3 cup powdered milk with 3/4 cup plain yogurt to replace sour cream in dips and other recipes.

Cocoa or Chocolate Milk- Mix 1 cup cocoa, 4 cups powdered milk, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 3/4 cup sugar, combine and store in airtight container. To make 1 cup hot cocoa- add 1/2 cup mix and 1 cup hot water and mix well. To make chocolate milk- stir a little water into the mix to make a smooth paste, then add the rest of the water.

Whipped Topping- Mix 1/2 cup ice cold water, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup powdered milk, 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Put water in ice-cold bowl (put bowl & beaters in the freezer for a few minutes before starting) Add milk and beat with cold beaters until stiff. Add sugar slowly while beating, then add lemon juice and beat just until mixed.

White Sauce- Over a low heat, mix 1/3 cup powdered milk, 3 tablespoons melted butter, 3 tablespoons flour to form a paste, slowly add 1 cup water or milk and whisk until smooth. You can add cheese, mushrooms, broccoli, or whatever you like.

Homemade Powdered Creamer-3 cups powdered milk, 1 cup powdered sugar (or 1/2 to 2 cups to achieve your desired sweetness), 1 tablespoon vanilla powder or cocoa powder (optional)- Combine the powdered milk and powdered sugar in a bowl and whisk together. Store in an air-tight container – it can last up to six months on your shelf! To use- just add a scoop or two to your coffee or hot cocoa for a creamy kick!

Reconstituting Powdered Milk

| To equal this amount of liquid | Use this much | And this much Instant Non-Fat |
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| 1/4 cup | 1/4 cup | 1-1/2 tablespoons |
| 1/3 cup | 1/3 cup | 2 tablespoons plus 1 teaspoon |
| 1/2 cup | 1/2 cup | 3 tablespoons |
| 1 cup | 1 cup | 1/3 cup |
| 1 quart | 3-3/4 cup | 1-1/3 cups |
| 2 quarts | 7-2/3 cups | 2 -2/3 cups |
| 1 gallon | 15-1/2 cups | 5-1/3 cups |